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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Economics

2013 - Present

- State University of New York, Purchase College

EDUCATION

Visiting Researcher

2011-13

- New York University

Ph.D. in Economics

2013

- George Mason University

LL.M. - European Masters in Law and Economics - (*Distinction*)

2008

- University of Hamburg; Ghent University; University of Bologna

LL.B. (Bachelor of Law)

2007

- University of Delhi, Faculty of Law

Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Economics (*First Division*)

2004

- University of Delhi, Hans Raj College

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

“Constitutional Craftsmanship and the Rule of Law” (with Richard E. Wagner), *Constitutional Political Economy*, 2013, 24(4): 295-309.

“Legal Entrepreneurship within Alternative Systems of Political Economy” (with Richard E. Wagner), *American Journal of Entrepreneurship*, 2013, 6(1): 24-36.

“The rise and fall of the polluter-pays principle in developing countries” (with Barbara Luppi and Francesco Parisi), *International Review of Law and Economics*, 2012, 32(1): 135-144.

“The rationality of taking to the hills” (with Virgil H. Storr), *Review of Austrian Economics*, 2012, 25(1): 53-62.

“Sunlight is the Best Disinfectant,” *Delhi Law Review*, 2005-2006 (II): 46-72.

Book Chapters

“Lessons from Gurgaon: India’s Private City” (with Alexander T. Tabarrok), *Private Urban Planning: Opportunities and Limitations*, David Anderson and Stefano Moroni (eds) Edward Elgar, Forthcoming.

"The Bankruptcy Judge as a Central Planner" (with Todd J. Zywicki), *Research Handbook on Austrian Law and Economics*, Todd J. Zywicki and Peter J. Boettke (eds.) Edward Elgar, Forthcoming.

"Constitutional Change: An Economic Analysis," *Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution*, Sujit Choudhry, Madhav Khosla, and Pratap Bhanu Mehta (eds.) Oxford University Press, (Forthcoming).

Book Reviews

Review of "Why Growth Matters: How Economic Growth in India Reduced Poverty and the Lessons for Other Developing Countries" by Jagdish Bhagwati and Arvind Panagariya, *Library of Law and Liberty*, December 2013.

Review of "Madman, Intellectuals, and Academic Scribblers" by Wayne Leighton and Edward Lopez, *Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, Forthcoming.

Other Publications

"Jawaharlal Nehru: the inveterate letter writer," *Mint*, November 17, 2014

"Nehru: A Reluctant Constitutionalist," *Mint*, May 29, 2014

"India's date with democracy" *Mint*, June 13, 2013

"A Paternalistic Law," *The Indian Express*, April 23, 2013

"Independent Judiciary, Interest Groups, and a Reason for Rules," *India in Transition*, April 22, 2013

"Bringing Rules Centerstage," *The Indian Express*, January 21, 2013

"Getting a Grip on Indian Corruption," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, August 26, 2011

"No Property Rights, No Peace," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, October 5, 2010

"An Indian Tragedy Many Times Over," *Wall Street Journal*, June 13, 2010

"Rolling Back India's Reservations," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, February 16, 2010

"A defence of and against offence," *Mint*, July 11, 2009

"A Toxic Solution to the Crisis," *Mint*, June 23, 2009

"Judging Equality," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, April 16, 2008

"India's Socialist Constitution," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, January 22, 2008

"Are we Free to be Foolish?" *Mint*, December 10, 2007

"Big Brother," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, September 27, 2007

"Property Rights and Wrongs," *Mint*, May 24, 2007

"Indian Property Wrongs," *Wall Street Journal Asia*, May 21, 2007

"Reverse Robinhood Land Reforms," *Mint*, February 7, 2007

WORKING PAPERS

“Incompatible Institutions: Socialism v Constitutionalism in India” (Revise and Resubmit at *Constitutional Political Economy*)

“Bhopal Gas Tragedy: Paternalism and Filicide” (Under Review)

“Austrian Perspectives in Law and Economics” (with Mario J. Rizzo)

“Independent Judiciary and Constitutional Rent Seeking: Evidence from the Indian Constitution”

“The Role of Ideology and Interest in Constitutional Design: Evidence from India”

“The ‘private sphere’ in Hayek’s Constitution of Liberty” (with Virgil H. Storr)

“The Relevance and Contributions of the Ostroms to Law and Economics” (with Liya Palagashvili)

COURSES

Assistant Professor of Economics, SUNY Purchase College, Dept. of Economics 2013- Present

- Principles of Microeconomics, Fall 2014
- Law and Economics, Fall 2014
- Behavioral Economics, Spring 2014
- Development of Modern Capitalism, Spring 2014
- Principles of Microeconomics, Fall 2013
- Law and Economics, Fall 2013

Adjunct Course Instructor – New York University, Department of Economics 2013

- Economics UA 1.003 RCT, Principles I (Macroeconomics), Spring 2013
- Economics UA 1.005 RCT, Principles I (Macroeconomics), Spring 2013

Web Course Instructor – Takshashila Institution (Graduate Certificate in Public Policy) 2013

- CP 162 – Topics in Constitutionalism, Summer 2013
- CP 162 – Topics in Constitutionalism, Spring 2013

Teaching Assistant – New York University School of Law (Prof. Mario Rizzo) 2011

- Classical Liberalism History, Theory And Contemporary Jurisprudence, Fall 2011

Course Instructor – George Mason University, Department of Economics 2010

- Economics 306-001, Intermediate Microeconomics, Fall 2010
- Economics 306-002, Intermediate Microeconomics, Fall 2010

WORK EXPERIENCE

Mercatus Center 2008-10

- Research Assistant to Dr. Virgil H. Storr, Director of Graduate Studies, Mercatus Center, George Mason University
- Research Assistant to Dr. Daniel Klein, Professor of Economics, George Mason University

Public Interest Legal Support and Research Centre, New Delhi

2005-07

- Part-time Research Associate to Dr. Rajeev Dhavan (Senior Advocate, Supreme Court of India)
- Part-time Researcher - Free Speech Cell for *pro bono* cases and *amicus* briefs

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Bradley Visiting Research Student, Department of Economics, NYU	2012-13
Mercatus Center Dissertation Fellowship	2011-13
Mercatus Center Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship	2009-2012
H.B. Earhart Research Visiting Student, Department of Economics, NYU	2011-12
Bradley Visiting Research Student at Department of Economics, NYU	2011
Mercatus Center Ph.D. Fellow	2008-11
Morality of Capitalism Essay Contest, Second Prize (with Simon Bilo)	2010
European School for New Institutional Economics, Best Project Award	2010
Erasmus Mundus Scholar	2007-08
Charles G. Koch Summer Fellow	2006
Centre for Cultural Resources and Training Scholarship, Govt of India	1998-2002

ACADEMIC COLLOQUIA AND WORKSHOPS

- Co-Director of the Colloquium of Market Institutions and Process, Department of Economics, New York University, Spring 2014.
- Participant of the Colloquium of Market Institutions and Process, Department of Economics, New York University 2011-14.
- Classical Liberalism in Contemporary Political Philosophy II Conferee, Mercatus Center and Liberty Fund, 2014.
- Participant of the *Duke Summer Institute on the History of Economics*, Duke University, June, 2014.
- Property Rights Conference NYU

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- **Grants**
Educational Opportunities Grant, Charles Koch Foundation, 2014 for \$5,000
- **Reading Group**
Weekly Reading Group in Law, Economics, and Politics - 2014 theme "How to change the world"
- **Committee participation**
Member of Task Force for Enhancing Enrollments, Purchase College, SUNY

MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Member: American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association; Public Choice Society; Association of Private Enterprise Education; Delhi Bar Council (2007- Present)

Referee: *Journal of Private Enterprise*, *Advances in Austrian Economics*, *Studies in Emergent Order*, *Independent Review*

ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Invited Talks

"Independent Judiciary and Rent Seeking: Evidence from the Ninth Schedule of the Indian Constitution," *Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania*, April 10 2014.

"Discussant on Ambedkar and Social Transformation," *BR Ambedkar Centennial Conference, Columbia Law School*, October 26, 2013.

Conferences

"The Relevance and Contributions of the Ostroms to Law and Economics" (with Liya Palagashvili), *Southern Economic Association, Atlanta, GA*, November 2014.

Discussant: *Spontaneous Order and Emergence of New Systems of Property Conference, Classical Liberal Institute, NYU School of Law*.

"Incompatible Institutions: Socialism v Constitutionalism in India" *Economic Freedom Institute Conference, Manhattanville College*, October 2014.

"What is Austrian Law and Economics?" *European Law and Economics Association Meetings*, September 2014.

"Constitutional Change: An Economic Analysis," *Oxford Handbook of the Indian Constitution Conference*, July 2014.

"The Role of Ideology and Interest in Constitutional Design: Evidence from India" *Public Choice Society Meetings, Charleston*, March 2014.

"Rule of Law, Rule of Men, and Rule By Men: Evidence from India," *Southern Economic Association, Tampa*, November 2013.

"Independent Judiciary and Rent Seeking: Evidence from the Indian Constitution," *Southern Economic Association, New Orleans*, November 2012.

"Independent Judiciary and Rent Seeking: Evidence from the Indian Constitution," *Colloquium on Market Institutions & Economic Processes, Department of Economics, New York University*, October 2012

"Article 368: The Role of Ideology and Error behind the Veil of Uncertainty," *Association of Private Enterprise Education, Nassau, Bahamas*, April 2012

"India's Constitutional Backdoor: Institutions, Incentives and Interests," *Association of Private Enterprise Education, Nassau, Bahamas*, April 2012

"Ideology and Institutions: Socialist Planning and Rule of Law in India," *Colloquium on Market Institutions & Economic Processes, Department of Economics, New York University*, March 2012

"India's Constitutional Backdoor: Institutions, Incentives and Interests," *Southern Economic Association, Washington DC*, November 2011

"India's Constitutional Backdoor: Institutions, Incentives and Interests," *ICAPE, Amherst, MA*, November 2011

"Will Indian Muslims be like American Jews?" *Association of Private Enterprise Education, Nassau, Bahamas*, April 2011

"Bankruptcy Judge as a Central Planner," *Colloquium on Market Institutions & Economic Processes, Department of Economics, New York University*, March 2011

"Dual Nature of Law," *Public Choice Society, San Antonio, TX*, March 2011

"Bankruptcy Judge as a Central Planner," *Southern Economic Association, Atlanta, GA*, November 2010

“Will Indian Muslims be like American Jews?” *European School of New Institutional Economics*, Corsica, France, June 2010

“Bankruptcy Judge as a Central Planner,” *Association of Private Enterprise Education*, Las Vegas, NV, April 2010

“Taking(s) from Development,” *Public Choice Society*, Las Vegas, NV, March 2009

REFERENCES

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